



Executive Department
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor
Proclamation

State Capitol
Boise

WHEREAS, the goal of public health is to improve the health of all Idahoans, eliminate disparities in health and improve years and quality of life; and

WHEREAS, public health preparedness has become important in the light of recent world events and in the face of potential terrorist activities; and

WHEREAS, healthy communities support the healthy growth and development of Idaho's children and youth; and

WHEREAS, healthy eating, weight management and active lifestyles are important public health principles; and

WHEREAS, preventative health measures, such as immunizations, fluoridated water and dental sealants, car seat and seatbelt use, supplemental food programs for mothers and infants, and early childhood education improve childhood outcomes and reduce overall costs to society; and

WHEREAS, Idaho's public health system represents a unique state and local, public and private partnership in providing cost effective public health programs for Idaho's citizens;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DIRK KEMPTHORNE, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim April 2005, to be

PUBLIC HEALTH MONTH

in Idaho, and I urge all Idahoans to join me in this observance by seeding knowledge and understanding of public health issues.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this second day of April in the year of our Lord two-thousand and five and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred twenty-ninth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred fifteenth.

A handwritten signature of Dirk Kempthorne in black ink, written over a horizontal line.

DIRK KEMPTHORNE
GOVERNOR

A handwritten signature of Ben Yursa in black ink, written over a horizontal line.

BEN YURSA
SECRETARY OF STATE